

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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PROPOSALS FOR ICT IN SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to expand Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in schools and Meta Universities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which these proposals are likely to be approved?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (c) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) "Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Schools" was launched in December, 2004 and revised in 2010 to promote computer enabled learning and support use of ICT in teaching and learning, in Government and Government aided Secondary and Higher Secondary schools. Till date, 87033 govt. and govt. aided schools and 63 Smart Schools have been approved to be covered under ICT @ School Scheme.

The University Grant Commission (UGC) has issued guidelines for operationalisation of Meta University Concept in May 2013. University of Delhi & Jamia Millia Islamia have jointly announced a Course of Master of Mathematics Education during 2012-13 under Meta University Concept. Admission for the above course for the year 2014-15 has also taken place.